METHODS, SYSTEMS, AND COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCTS FOR CONFIGURING RULES FOR SERVICE NODES IN GRID SERVICE ARCHITECTURE SYSTEMS

5   ABSTRACT

Operational rules are transmitted from a first service node that receives a request for service to a second service node that is configured to apply the operational rule to requests for service in response to the request. For example, operational rules can be propagated from a primary node to a secondary node that operates responsive

10   to the primary node, wherein the operational rule defines how the secondary node is to process the request for service from the primary node. Furthermore, the operational rules provided by the primary node can be propagated in a hierarchical fashion throughout the grid to other nodes.